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FILED : JULY 15, 2003 CONFIRM. NO. : UNKNOWN
FOR : COMBINATION OF AN ALLOSTERIC ALKYNE INHIBITOR
OF MATRIX METALLOPROTEINASE-13 WITH A
SELECTIVE INHIBITOR OF CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 THAT IS
NOT CELECOXIB OR VALDECOXIB

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Dear Sir:

This paper is an Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98
for the above-identified patent application.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in the application.

The currently pending claims are directed to a combination comprising a selective inhibitor of COX-2 that is not celecoxib or valdecoxib, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and an allosteric alkyne inhibitor of MMP-13, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a pharmaceutical composition comprising the combination, and a method of treating a disease or disorder using the combination. Applicants' instant paper does not amend the claims.

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Applicant also makes available to the Patent and Trademark Office the following co-pending applications:

APPLICANT: WILLIAM HOWARD ROARK

SERIAL NO.: 10/620,174

FILING DATE: JULY 15, 2003

TITLE: COMBINATION OF AN ALLOSTERIC INHIBITOR OF MATRIX
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APPLICANT'S DOCKET NO.: PC25036A

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider carefully the complete text of the cited references in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 CFR §1.104(a), including consideration of the claims.

It is respectfully requested that all cited references considered by the Examiner be listed in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from the instant application (MPEP § 1302.12).

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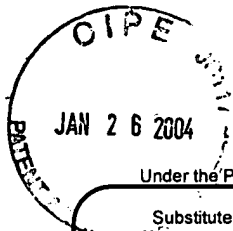
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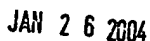
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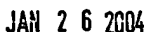
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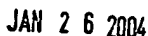
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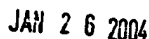
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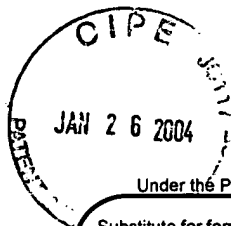
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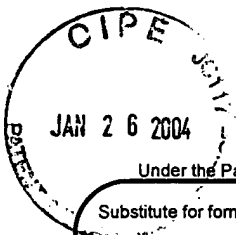
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